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TAGS: PORG, MOPS, IS, LE

SUBJECT: SAFETY OF UNTSO OFFICERS IN SOUTHERN LEBANON

REF: STATE 166534

1. IN LINE WITH CONTINUING CONCERN HERE OVER SAFETY
OF UN MILITARY OBSERVERS (UNMO) IN SOUTHERN LEBANON,
DOD HAS STUDIED OPTIONS FOR IMPROVING UNTSO MEDICAL
EVACUATION CAPABILITIES. REVIEW STIMULATED BY
INCIDENT JULY 14 IN WHICH UNTSO FIELD SERVICE OFFICER
SERIOUSLY INJURED BY LAND MINE ON OBSERVER POST RELIEF
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ROAD IN LEBANON. OFFICER WAS EVACUATED TO ISRAEL
THROUGH NAQURAH, WHERE THE IDF DOCTOR/AMBULANCE
TRANSPORTED HIM TO ISRAELI HOSPITAL.

2. TWO MAJOR OPTIONS APPEAR TO BE:

-- STATIONING OF UN HELICOPTER AT BEIRUT INTERNATIONAL

AIRPORT. BORDER CROSSING PROBLEMS WOULD BE ELIMINATED
SINCE EVACUATION WOULD BE TO BEIRUT.

-- STATIONING OF ONE OR TWO WHEELED AMBULANCES AT
NAQURAH IN LEBANON. AMBULANCES WOULD FOLLOW NORMAL
RELIEF ROUTE TO AND FROM NAQURAH WHEN TIME PERMITTED,

BUT IN EXTREME EMERGENCY UNTSO SHOULD BE PREPARED
TO SEND AMBULANCE THROUGH GATES IN ISRAELI SECURITY
FENCE, IF SITUATION DICTATES. BOTH OPTIONS WOULD
ENTAIL HAVING EITHER A DOCTOR (UNEF--POLISH OR LOCAL
HIRE) OR PARA-MEDICAL PERSONNEL ON HAND.

3. REQUEST VIEWS OF ACTION ADDRESSEES AS TO
FEASIBILITY OF THESE OPTIONS, PARTICULARLY FROM THE
POLITICAL POINT OF VIEW. OTHER IDEAS WOULD ALSO BE
WELCOME. THESE OPTIONS SHOULD NOT, REPEAT NOT, BE
DISCUSSED AT THIS TIME WITH NON-AMERICANS. AFTER
RECEIVING YOUR COMMENTS, WE WILL DECIDE WHETHER TO
RAISE MATTER WITH UN OFFICIALS IN NEW YORK.

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